

# FIRST STEP TOWARD SETTLEMENT

## Meeting of Labor Leader and Rapid Transit Official Late Monday

### THE RESULT OF OUTSIDE INFLUENCE

#### First Time Officials of the Philadelphia Company Have Dealt Directly with Any National Officer of the Street Car Men's Union—Few Breaks in Ranks of the General Strikers Yesterday.

Philadelphia, March 14.—The first step taken by the Philadelphia Rapid Transit company toward settling the dispute with its striking employees and incidentally ending the sympathetic strike which has now been in progress for ten days was taken late today, when President C. O. Kruger of the rapid transit company conferred with W. D. Mahon, president of the Amalgamated Association of Street and Electric Railway Employees. The meeting of the labor leader and the rapid transit official was the result of outside influence and it is the first time officials of the company have dealt directly with any national officer of the street car men's union.

Today's conference was held in the office of George H. Earle, one of the representatives of the city on the transit company's board of directors. Mr. Earle and Mr. Mahon, who is the general committee in charge of the sympathetic strike were also present.

When the sub-committee met, Mr. Earle it was suggested that they were not competent to discuss the car men's grievances and W. D. Mahon, the car men's president, was sent for. Shortly afterwards President Kruger, whose office is in the same building, was telephoned for by Mr. Earle and joined the party. When the conference was ended Mr. Earle said that the matter was discussed, even tentatively.

The difficulty of a settlement was gone over. He and Mr. Kruger said the company wanted to safeguard its loyal men and that there seemed to be too many men for the position that was vacant. Mr. Earle insisted that no immediate settlement was in sight and that no change in the situation had been made. On the conclusion of the discussion President Mahon and members of the sub-committee returned to the strikers' headquarters, where they reported the results of the conference to the committee of ten.

**Stock Exchange Brokers Took a Hand.**

The willingness of the transit officials to open negotiations with the street car men is said to have been the result of the attitude taken by members of the stock exchange, who, it is said, have been supporting the stock of the company. The brokers are reported to have asserted that if the strike was not ended before next Wednesday no further support would be given the stock.

**More Industries Tied Up.**

There were few breaks in the ranks of the general strikers today and more industries continue to be tied up than was anticipated by the employers and the general public.

The brewery workers who have not yet joined the sympathetic strike held a meeting tonight and were urged to join the movement.

## Cabled Paragraphs

Biarritz, France, March 14.—King Edward was confined to his apartments today by a slight cold. It is expected, however, that he will be able to resume his walks tomorrow.

Managua, Nicaragua, March 14.—Col. Jose S. Ramirez, ex-director general of telegraphs and telephones, who was imprisoned here for a few days following the charge that he had used the telegraph wires to further the political ends of the rebels, has been released upon the order of the government.

Berlin, March 14.—Chancellor von Bethmann-Hollweg, during a speech in the Reichstag today, announced that it was the intention of the government to submit a bill extending the constitution of Alsace-Lorraine so as to give that territory a greater measure of self-government than it already enjoys. The measure has been drawn but its presentation is withheld to afford the chancellor an opportunity to consult with the federal government.

**DAY OF FASTING AND PRAYER, FRIDAY, THE 25TH OF MARCH.**

**Proclamation Issued Monday by Governor Frank B. Weeks.**

Hartford, Conn., March 14.—In setting aside today the custom of the month as a day of fasting and prayer, Governor Frank B. Weeks has issued the following proclamation:

STATE OF CONNECTICUT,  
By His Excellency,  
FRANK B. WEEKS,  
Governor.

In accordance with the custom of generations, I hereby appoint Friday, the 25th day of March next, as a day of fasting and prayer, and I recommend that that day lay aside the common employment, and in the homes and places of worship confess their sins, there expressing their contrition and their faith in His merciful guidance be preserved.

Given under my hand and the seal of the state, this 14th day of March in the year of our Lord 1910, and of the Independence of the United States 135th.

FRANK B. WEEKS,  
By His Excellency's command,  
MATTHEW H. ROGERS,  
Secretary.

**THERE WILL BE NO STRIKE.**

**Says President Lewis of the United Mine Workers of America.**

Cincinnati, March 14.—Contrary to expectations, the special committee of the United Mine Workers of America will organize tomorrow without anything definite in view. This state of affairs has been brought about by the inability of the sub-committee of the joint conference of the miners and operators of Ohio, Indiana and western Pennsylvania, to agree regarding the wage and hour question.

As a result the national convention will organize, hear a greeting of welcome from Mayor Schwab and adjourn subject to the call of the chairman, which will be issued when the scale committee of the joint conference gets ready to report.

Nothing that even tends toward an agreement has been reached by the scale committee.

In speaking of conditions tonight, President Lewis of the United Mine Workers of America said: "I am still convinced that there will be no strike and that the miners' demands will be granted."

**MRS. DAGUE TOOK PARIS GREEN.**  
**Her Husband of a Week Elope With Her Younger Sister.**

Piqua, Ohio, March 14.—Deserted by her bridegroom of a week, whom she accused of eloping with her younger sister, Mrs. Dague committed suicide tonight at Addison, O., by swallowing paris green.

**NEW YORK SALOONS**  
**Mayor Gaynor Makes Formal Utterance on the Vexed Subject.**

New York, March 14.—Mayor Gaynor made his formal utterance today on the vexed and important subject of Sunday saloons. In a letter to Police Commissioner William J. Baker, recommending the trial of two policemen who last Sunday made arrests of saloonkeepers in districts not their own and while in plain clothes, off duty.

"Before I came into this office," he wrote, "I was informed of the large, even vast, sum of money, in the aggregate, which liquor dealers are paying for what is called protection on Sunday and I have been slowly gathering the evidence of it since I have been here, and getting ready to put a stop to it in a way which is open to us and at the same time duly enforce the liquor law here in a safe and orderly manner as well or better than it is enforced anywhere else in the state."

The mayor does not indicate what that manner will be.

**TEXAS RANGERS ON THE GROUND**  
**To Prevent Threatened Race War Between Mexicans and Americans.**

Fallsville, Tex., March 14.—Captain Johnson and five state rangers and Sheriff Guerra of Starr county are here tonight to prevent a threatened race war between Americans and Mexicans due to the killing of a San Antonio and Arkansas railroad worker by a night of Balhazer Garcia. Dave Dolan, charged with the killing, was arrested, but before he could be placed in jail the Mexican population armed and threatened the officers. Dolan was removed to Corpus Christi. Tonight the officers apparently have the situation well in hand.

**WESTON IS 72 TODAY.**

**At Spearville, Kan., Last Night, 71-2 Days Ahead of Schedule.**

Spearville, Kan., March 14.—Edward Payson Weston passed through here this afternoon, having already walked 42 miles today, and intending to walk 30 more before resting for the night. Tomorrow is his 73rd birthday, and he wanted to walk one mile for each year. He probably is not far from Kinsey tonight. When Weston passed through here he was 71-3 days ahead of his schedule.

**Knickerbocker Trust Co. Now Stands Rehabilitated.**

New York, March 14.—The Knickerbocker Trust company, which closed its doors during the panic of 1907, re-opened today after the last of the certificates of deposit, amounting to \$23,000,000. The company now stands rehabilitated and all the depositors, whose claims total \$35,701,716, will be paid in full.

**"Deadwood Dick" Ill at 65 Years.**

DeWitt, Cal., March 14.—Richard Butler, the original "Deadwood Dick" is seriously ill here, at the home of Mayor Eskins, who was his sub-messenger twenty years ago on the bullion run between Lead, S. D., and Omaha. Butler is 65 years old. He has only one eye, and that affliction gave him the nickname "Deadeye" before he came to own his last sobriquet.

**George Crogrove Returns.**

George Crogrove has returned to the employ of the New Haven road as spare ticket agent and operator. At the present time he is at the New Haven station here nights and taking up the work with which for so many years he was familiar.

## Roosevelt Back From Long Tramp

### OF NEARLY A YEAR IN PURSUIT OF BIG GAME.

#### ARRIVED AT KHARTUM

##### Joyous Reunion of Former President and Mrs. Roosevelt and Children—Jungle Hunting Days Are Over.

Khartum, March 14.—Looking the picture of health and with physical fitness showing in every line, Theodore Roosevelt came back today from the long tramp on which he had spent nearly a year in the pursuit of game. Thousands had gathered here to see him and they desecrated from afar the familiar form and more familiar smile made so even to those who had never before set eyes on the ex-president of the United States by the countless pictures of him which have recently been published.

**Joyous Family Reunion.**

Later in the day there was a joyous reunion of Colonel and Mrs. Roosevelt and their children, Kermit and Miss Elsie. In the north station of Khartum, Mrs. Roosevelt and her daughter arriving there about half past five o'clock in the evening.

**Wearisome Trip of 1,300 Miles.**

A launch carrying the representatives of the governor general of Anglo-Egyptian Sudan, Major General Sir Francis Reginald Wingate, sirdar of the Egyptian army, met the steamer "Khartum" on this small craft. Colonel Roosevelt and the members of his party had voyaged for more than 1,300 miles from Gondokoro in Uganda where they embarked on the Nile, to Khartum, a wearisome trip, for there was little to be seen, and the latter part of the voyage was exceedingly uninteresting. The river sometimes being a mile and a half wide, with mud flats on either side, where only crocodiles abound, and towards the end Colonel Roosevelt displayed considerable anxiety to be ashore.

Although the ex-president has refused to grant an interview or give out a statement on public questions until he is in possession of the full information on all points, he realizes he says that he has before him a mass of harder working days than jungle hunting.

**Continuous Volley of Cheers.**

Shortly after 4 o'clock in the afternoon the steamer came up slowly to the palace dock, amid a continuous volleying of cheers. Colonel Roosevelt was warmly greeted by Major General Sir Rudolf Baron Slatin Pacha, inspector general, and Major P. Phillips, the sirdar's private secretary. The other members of the party were conducted to the palace grounds, where the heads of the various governmental departments were introduced and tea was served.

The sirdar's palace is situated in the center of six acres of beautiful gardens. It stands on the site of Gordon's house, the standard of which was done to death by the fanatical Mahdists.

**Met Family at Railroad Station.**

After tea the colonel and his son crossed the river to the Khartum north station, where Mrs. Roosevelt and Miss Elsie arrived shortly afterwards on an express. Arrangements had been made so that the meeting was in private, the family remaining within the palace car for some time, coming forth laughing and happy.

They returned together to the sirdar's palace.

**25,000 RAILROAD FIREMEN**  
**VOTE AT MIDNIGHT TO STRIKE.**

Chicago, March 14.—At midnight tonight W. S. Carter, president of the Brotherhood of Locomotive Firemen and Enginemen, announced the strike of 25,000 firemen on practically all the western railroads had been called.

Mr. Carter said the decision to strike had been reached at a meeting of forty-three members of the Western Federated board of the brotherhood, representing a western railroad. The exact hour at which the men are to walk out, he said, would be decided upon tomorrow and every member of the union between Chicago and the Pacific coast would then be informed by telegraph to quit work.

**Railroads Issue Statements.**

Chicago, March 15.—The railroads issued a statement declaring that to prevent a strike they would, if necessary, appeal to the authorities at Washington.

**THAT PEARY AWARD.**

Washington, March 14.—Representative Englebright (Republican) of California, the only member of the house naval committee who favored bestowing congressional honors upon Commander Peary without an inspection of the explorer's proofs, does not intend to let the matter rest where it is. He says he will force the committee to vote definitely for or against a Peary award if he can. The various bills for that purpose are still before the committee.

Mr. Englebright has by a thorough search of the records found interesting data concerning the speed which can be made in Arctic travel.

**Aviator Paulhan Dissatisfied—Wants to Return to France.**

New York, March 14.—Louis Paulhan did not make a flight at the Jamaica, L. I., race track today. The wind was light, but more to the point, he is dissatisfied with the treatment given him in America and wants to go back to France. Financial arrangements to place him in the Wright suit is another bother. He has been assembling his machine this afternoon but efforts are being made by Edmund Cleary, his manager, amicably to adjust matters.

**American Gets Nine Years in Mexican Prison.**

El Paso, Tex., March 14.—Charles A. Rebeck, an American railroad man, was sentenced to nine years in prison at San Yancito, Sinaloa, Mexico, for manslaughter. It was learned today that Rebeck was accused of firing his revolver into a crowd, killing one native and wounding another.

**Bridgeport Young Man Attempts Suicide.**

Bridgeport, Conn., March 14.—Fred Tagg, aged 23 and single, attempted to commit suicide here tonight by inhaling gas in his room at his boarding house. He was discovered by the landlord and rushed to the hospital, where it is doubtful if he will recover.

## Condensed Telegrams

James O'Connor, Nationalist member of the house of commons, died in London.

The Administration Porto Rico government bill was favorably reported by the house committee.

Chemist Wiley Found 92,000,000 germs on an old dollar note handed to him for investigation.

The House Committee Adopted an amendment to the administration railroad bill to prevent stock watering.

Silas I. Turner, a Bookkeeper of Chicago, who said he was getting too old to work, cut his throat with a razor.

The Government Has Endeavored to make an American Gibraltar of Corredor Island, at the entrance to Manila bay.

The German Chancellor Has Rejected the socialists' demand for direct and secret manhood suffrage in elections to the diet.

The Hamburg-American Steamship line will open a transatlantic passenger service to southern ports in the United States.

The Disappearance of O. M. Wheelock, auditor of the Massachusetts Bonding and Security company, has developed a shortage of \$9,241.

Martin Gauthier, Former Confidential clerk to M. Duez, the embezzling liquidator of church properties, has also been arrested.

A Medal of Honor and a Gratuity were awarded to Chief Electrician William E. Snyder of the navy for extraordinary heroism.

"Wings," a Yorkshire Terrier, was chloroformed, its owner, Mrs. Mary Temple, having killed the dog to join her in the spirit world.

The Monument Erected in Statuary Hall in the capitol, to the memory of John C. Calhoun was unveiled, ceremonies being held both in the house and senate.

English Newspapers Sharply Criticize James Patten, the Chicago speculator, for presuming to visit the Manchester exchange after the injuries his operations had done the Lancashire cotton industries.

Bishop Henry Spellmeyer of St. Louis, Mo., who was presiding at the New Jersey annual conference of the Methodist Episcopal church, at Atlantic City, was found dead in bed at the Hotel Dennis.

The Crookedness in the Liquidation of the property of religious orders in France will be used as political stock in the coming campaign, and an attempt may be made to overthrow Premier Durand.

A Sharp Clash Occurred between Senator Nelson, chairman of the Bailiwick-Pinchot committee, and Attorney Pepper, counsel for Gifford Pinchot, when Mr. Nelson accused the lawyer with "trifling."

A Delegation of Opponents to the re-appointment of Collector Stone paid a visit to President Taft Monday. The president asked for proofs of their charges and these they could not supply. Several of the collector's friends were present. The president gave the anti-Stone men ten days to furnish proofs, which will decide the matter in two weeks.

**BETHLEHEM STEEL STRIKE.**

**FOUR FURNACES AT WORK.**

**13 Per Cent. of the Men Reported to Have Returned.**

South Bethlehem, Pa., March 14.—According to the statement of an official of the Bethlehem Steel company, the men who returned to work today swelled the number to seventy-five per cent. of the normal force. The four blast furnaces are in operation, an official stated, and more men applied for work in operating the furnaces than could be employed.

In machine shop No. 2 today, 325 men were at work, or 260 more than when the company is running a minimum force, he reported. Many of the moulders in the steel and brass foundries also returned today.

The chairman of the strikers denied that so many men were at work. He called the company's figures exaggerated. The business men in the Lehigh valley are beginning to feel the effects of the five weeks' strike.

**HEIKE PERMITTED TO APPEAL.**

**Supreme Court Refuses to Vacate Writ in Sugar Fraud Case.**

Washington, March 14.—The supreme court of the United States today declined to vacate a writ of habeas corpus issued by Justice Lurton in the case of Charles R. Heike of New York, who was denied immunity by the lower federal courts from prosecution under an indictment of conspiracy to defraud the government.

**Killing of Lieutenant Janney in Manila Not Yet Cleared Up.**

Manila, March 14.—The circumstances attending the killing of Second Lieut. Clarence M. Janney of the Twelfth infantry, which occurred Saturday at Port William, Cebu, have not yet been cleared up. It is generally believed that Janney killed himself, but it is uncertain whether this was by accident or design. A special board is investigating the affair. The body will be sent home by a transport sailing March 23.

**Eighth Death from Pneumonia at Naval Training Station.**

Newport, R. I., March 14.—Arthur L. Burnett of Phelps, R. I., an apprentice seaman at the naval training station, died of pneumonia today. His death is the eighth from that cause this winter, and several other cases are under treatment. The boy's body was shipped to relatives late today.

**Boston Man Committed Suicide in Kentucky.**

Middlesboro, Ky., March 14.—Carol C. Pliske, chief of the engineer corps of the Canton corporation here and a member of a prominent family of Boston, Mass., committed suicide today by shooting. His act, it is said, was caused by ill health.

**No Hope for James J. Hogan.**

Torrington, Conn., March 14.—After a consultation of physicians late tonight it was announced that the condition of James J. Hogan, the former Yale football captain, who is ill at his home with nephritis, was critical. No hope of his recovery was given out.

**Steamship Arrivals.**

At Naples, March 13: America, from New York.

At Glasgow, March 13: Columbia, from New York.

At Genoa, March 13: Barbarossa, from New York.

## Deposit Boxes Were Empty

### OPENED BY ATTORNEYS REPRESENTING VICTIMS.

#### SUPPOSED TO CONTAIN GEMS

Worth \$60,000 Which Had Been Stolen from Hotels in Eastern Cities and Hidden in Chicago.

Chicago, March 14.—Expecting to find \$60,000 worth of diamonds and other gems which had been stolen from hotels in New York and other eastern cities and hidden in safety deposit boxes in Chicago, John W. Jenkins and attorneys representing other victims opened the deposit boxes today and found them empty.

**Alleged Thief Will Be Sent Back to New York.**

As a result of the police announced that Charles Rosenthal, who was arrested in connection with the theft of Mrs. Jenkins' jewels, would probably be sent back to Elmira, N. Y., where the police say he is wanted to serve an unexpired prison term. When Rosenthal was arrested in a hotel, diamonds and safety deposit keys were found in his possession. The keys, against another man arrested with Rosenthal probably will be dropped.

**CHAIRMAN WOODRUFF**  
**CHEERFUL AND ACTIVE.**

**Beginning of the Week Situation in New York Politics.**

New York, March 14.—The lame and inconclusive ending of Senator Root's brusque descent upon New York found expression today in the cheerful and bustling activity of Governor Timothy L. Woodruff and the moody confidence of the election captains, who straggled from state headquarters to county headquarters and then sat down in back rooms to talk it over.

Chairman Woodruff was all smiles, "see," he said, "that the morning papers quoted me today on my conference last night with Senator Root as making but one comment, three times repeated with varying degrees of emphasis, 'Ask Root. That's right. Ask Root.' The chairman stared straight into the eyes of a pastboard puppy that does duty on his desk as a calendar and beamed agreeably at the puppy across the puppy's breast, 'Happy days.'"

The chairman did not explain his feeling, but the general understanding is that he regards the situation as formless, and that to his mind it rather wallows than progresses with definite intent toward disaster. As yet it is believed now that even the most progressive and ambitious spirits within the party are of the same mind. The possibilities of a split are too plain to be within sight to risk pushing them to an issue while there is still hope of a strong hand to shape the situation into agreement.

Therefore it is felt that for the present the policy of those in charge will be to run with the wind, keeping a sharp eye ahead for reefs and shoals. The arrival of Theodore Roosevelt, Woodruff will remain chairman, but he does not say himself that he will run again.

**ROOSEVELT-ALEXANDER**  
**WEDDING JUNE 16.**

**Colonel Roosevelt Will Arrive in Time to Be Present.**

New York, March 14.—It became known today that the date for the wedding of Theodore Roosevelt, Jr., and Miss Eleanor Alexander, which was fixed for June 16. That date, it was said, had been approved by Colonel Roosevelt, who will arrive in New York in time to be present at the ceremony.

To be here in ample time for the wedding, it is considered probable that the Roosevelt party will cross from Liverpool on May 21 by the Cunard liner Capornia, if Mr. Roosevelt delivers his last lecture in England, but in the event of his going from London to Vienna, he may return from Bremen on the North German Lloyd liner Kronprinzessin Cecilie, which sails on June 7 via Southampton and Cherbourg, and is due in New York June 14, two days before the date of the wedding.

**Intracoastal Waterway Between Massachusetts and North Carolina.**

Washington, March 14.—A comprehensive scheme for improvement of the harbor of Fall River, Mass., in connection with traffic with New York and possible ultimate traffic by intracoastal waterway between Boston, Narragansett bay, Long Island sound and Beaufort, N. C., in view of a recommendation made to congress by the war department today. The department recommends an appropriation of \$14,000 for deepening the harbor besides the present improvements, with an annual maintenance estimated at \$6,000. It also calls attention to the report of the engineers as to increased anchorage area.

**Pugilist Johnson to Be Tried for Assault in New York Session.**

New York, March 14.—The case was set today as the date for the trial of Jack Johnson, the negro pugilist, on a charge of assault in the second degree. Counsel for the negro contended that District Attorney Whitman erred and pointed out that in the ordinary run of business the case will not be reached until May, as this would interfere with the fighter's training. Judge Mulqueen of the court of general sessions agreed to the advancement. Jackson is now in Milwaukee. He is accused of attacking a white female black in an uptown saloon.

**Two Amesbury Greeks Narrowly Escape Lynching.**

Amesbury, Mass., March 14.—Lynching was threatened here today for two Greeks who were chased through this town tonight by an angry mob of 300 people, following the shooting of Michael Roach during an afternoon. The Greeks finally landed the two men in jail after a hard time in protecting their prisoners from the crowd. They gave the names of George Smith and James Brown. Roach's condition is believed to be serious.

**Dismissed Cadets Not to Be Reinstated.**

Washington, March 14.—President Taft, Secretary of War Dickinson and Superintendent Scott of the military academy, are in accord in opposing the proposed reinstatement of seven cadets dismissed for hazing, according to testimony given before the house committee on military affairs today by the secretary. He said that all the officials concerned had given the question thorough study, that the dismissal of the young men was the proper course, and that any interference with their dismissal would be a great mistake.